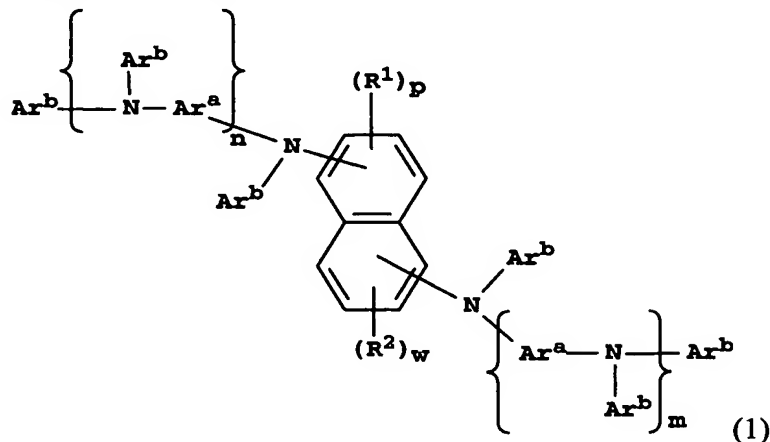


ABSTRACT

An electroluminescent device comprises a layer containing a naphthalene compound represented by Formula (1),



wherein:

each R^1 and R^2 represents an independently selected substituent provided that adjacent substituents may join to form a ring;

5 p and w independently are 0-3;

the amine nitrogens on the naphthalene nucleus are located on separate rings;

m and n independently are 0, 1 or 2;

each Ar^b represents an independently selected aromatic group; and

10 each Ar^a represents an independently selected phenylene, biphenylene or naphthalene group;

provided that at least one R_1 or R_2 substituent of the naphthalene compound represented by Formula (1) is a sterically bulky substituent.